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Subject: Fw: Marijuana Dispensary

re: Nevada City Marijuana Dispensary

Medical usage of marijuana is worthy of serious consideration and appears to be very useful in some cases. Recreational usage, while approved by the recent vote, is quite another matter. Society is well aware of the dangers of smoking marijuana, both of direct usage and second hand smoke. (See Science News 01/12/2017, 11/14/2016, 03/24/2015 as well as many other sources). It is now well documented that smoking marijuana is at least as harmful as smoking tobacco and its second hand smoke is equally hazardous.

Nevada city has legislated against smoking in a significant area of the city. If we are to take seriously the need to reduce – hopefully eliminate – smoking we certainly should not be supporting the dispensing of marijuana within Nevada City. It only acts to aid and abet smoking and its well documented hazards. Dispensing marijuana is negatively impacting your health and mine, and the health of our children as well.

The laws regulating usage among minors and children are sketchy at best and need considerable refinement to be reasonably comprehensive. Allowing one or more dispensaries in Nevada City will have a negative effect on the city and cause far more problems than likely have been anticipated.

While I do not live within the boundaries of Nevada City I have been a member of the Nevada City United Methodist Church since 1987, have served as Chairperson of Trustees, manage the church website and am present there 2 or 3 times each week in helping with the Mission of the Church. As such I am impacted by the Marijuana Dispensary issue and its potential adverse impact on Nevada City and our church.

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